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## **OLR Bill Analysis**

**sHB 6505 (as amended by House "A")\***

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING PARAMETERS FOR FEES FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS.***

#### **SUMMARY:**

This bill permits any local or regional board of education to develop a student activity fee exemption policy for students who demonstrate an inability to pay the fee for participating in an extracurricular activity. It also prohibits any board without such a policy from charging an activity fee to any student who demonstrates an inability to pay it.

Under the bill, the activity fee exemption policy must include criteria and standards for determining who is eligible for an exemption and a list of the student activity fees and extracurricular activities to which the exemptions apply.

The bill requires that anyone who misrepresents his or her financial status to avoid paying an activity fee to pay the full fee.

The bill also makes technical changes.

\*House Amendment "A" adds the requirement that anyone who misrepresents his or her financial status to avoid paying an activity fee must pay the full fee.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2013

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 26      Nay 8      (03/13/2013)